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REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Applicant, by this paper amends claims 1, 3, 5, and 7, cancels claims 2, 4, 6, and 18-19 without prejudice, and adds new claims 20-26. No new matter is added with the claim amendments and new claims. Therefore, claims 1, 3, 5, 7-17, and 20-26 are pending in the application and are presented for further examination and allowance.

Updated Attorney Docket Number

Applicant respectfully requests the Attorney Docket No. be updated to reflect Attorney Docket No.022263-000410US.

Discussion of Rejections Under 35 USC §103(a)

Claims 1-19 were rejected under 35 USC §103(a) as allegedly unpatentable over U.S. Patent No. 6,132,306 to Trompower (hereinafter Trompower) with a view to U.S. Patent Application Publication No. 2002/0132636 (hereinafter Stockhusen). The Examiner contends that the references, either alone or in combination, teach all of the claimed features.

To establish a *prima facie* case of obviousness, three basic criteria must be met. First, there must be some suggestion or motivation, either in the references themselves or in the knowledge generally available to one of ordinary skill in the art, to modify the reference or to combine reference teachings. Second, there must be reasonable expectation of success. Finally, the prior art reference, or references when combined, must teach or suggest all of the claim limitations.

Applicant cancels claims 2, 4, 6, and 18-19 without prejudice. The rejections to those claims are moot in light of the claim cancellation. Applicant respectfully contends that the prior art references, either alone or in combination, fail to teach or suggest all claimed features. Additionally, Applicant contends that there is no motivation to modify or combine the references in a manner that would teach or suggest Applicant's claims. Therefore, Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration and allowance of claims 1, 3, 5, and 7-17.

Claim 1 recites a single transceiver system. The single transceiver system includes a "a single transceiver selectably configurable to a plurality of different communication standards." The single transceiver system also includes "a memory configured to store

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information received by the single transceiver utilizing a first communication standard, and configured to provide the information to the single transceiver for transmission according to a second communication standard." An example of a timing diagram of a system having such features is shown in Figure 5. The cited references do not teach or suggest these features.

As conceded by the Examiner, Trompower fails to teach or suggest a single transceiver having the ability to use different communication standards. As a result, Trompower inherently does not discuss or suggest a memory that stores information received by the transceiver utilizing a first communication standard and provide the information to the single transceiver for transmission according to a second communication standard.

Stockhusen similarly fails to describe a memory that can store information received by the transceiver utilizing a first communication standard, where the memory provides the information to the transceiver for transmission according to the second communication standard. Instead, Stockhusen describes man-machine interface (MMI) for a multi-mode multi-band mobile telephone that can alternatively support one of two communication standards. As described in Stockhusen, the user can select the operating mode of the telephone or a network selection module can automatically select between the operating modes based on predetermined criteria. *See Stockhusen* FIG. 6 and paragraph [0041]. Stockhusen states: "the user may select between GSM mode only, TDMA mode only, or allow the system to automatically select either GSM or TDMA mode based on network availability or using predetermined selection criteria." *Id.*

Stockhusen describes a telephone in which the phone can be configured for GSM mode or TDMA mode. However, Stockhusen does not describe any mode in which information received while configured for a first communication standard is stored in memory for transmission according to a second communication standard. Stockhusen provides no teaching or suggestion that even hints that information received while configured for a first communication standard can be transmitted by a transceiver configured for a second communication standard.

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Therefore, Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration and allowance of claim 1, because neither Trompower nor Stockhusen, whether alone or in combination, teaches or suggests all of the claimed features.

Claim 17 includes features similar to those discussed above in relation to claim 1. Claim 17 requires demodulating signals received using a first standard and re-modulating the information bits into signals utilizing a second standard. Trompower and Stockhusen, either alone or in combination, fail to teach or suggest the claimed features for the same reasons provided above in relation to claim 1.

Claims 3, 5, and 7-16 depend, either directly or indirectly, from claim 1 and are believed to be allowable at least for the reason that they depend from an allowable base claim.

Discussion of New Claims

New claims 20-26 are added. No new matter is added with the new claims. Support for the new claims can be found throughout the application as filed. For example, support for claim 20 can be found at Applicant's Figures 3-8 and the associated description. Support for claim 21 is illustrated in the timing diagram of Figure 5 and the associated description. Support for claims 22 and 23 can be found, respectively, at Figures 3 and 4 and the associated description. Support for claim 24 is illustrated in the timing diagram of Figure 6 and the associated description. Support for claim 25 can be found at page 3 lines 10-12 and page 10 line 30 through page 11 line 26. Support for claim 26 can be found at Figure 8 and the associated description.

Applicant believes that the features of the claims are allowable over the cited references and requests allowance of new claims 20-26.

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CONCLUSION

In view of the foregoing, Applicants believe all claims now pending in this Application are in condition for allowance. The issuance of a formal Notice of Allowance at an early date is respectfully requested.

If the Examiner believes a telephone conference would expedite prosecution of this application, please telephone the undersigned at 858-350-6100.

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